

Attorney Docket No. 03/071 K  
Customer No. 38263

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: NIEDERSTAETTER *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1794

Application No.: 10/568,381

Examiner: E. S. WOOD

Filed: February 14, 2006

Confirmation No.: 1036

For: INTRINSICALLY STABLE SHIRRED STICK

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Charlotte, North Carolina  
May 6, 2011

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 9, 2010, please enter the following amendment and consider the remarks which follow. In addition, Applicants submit herewith a Petition for a 3-month Extension of Time and credit card form to extend the due date to May 9, 2011, as well as a Request for Continued Examination.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on Page 7 of this paper.